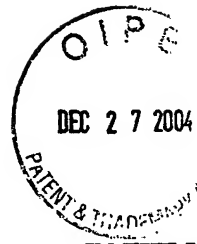


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PATENT

Docket No. 979-028

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Applicant(s) : Varreng et al.  
 Serial No. : 10/616,485  
 Filed : July 8, 2003  
 For : SUBSEA CONNECTOR

Group Art Unit: 2833  
 Examiner: Gary F. Paumen

**AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required:

☐ The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	10	-	20	=0	x 9	\$ <u>00</u>
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	x 86	\$ <u>          </u>
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	Total:					\$ <u>          </u>

☐ Verified Statement of "Small Entity" Status Under 37 CFR § 1.27  
 filed           . Reduced Fees Under 37 CFR § 1.9(f)  
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\* Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c).

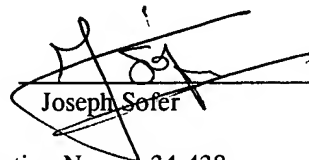
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- [ ] Charge \$.00 fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2825 . Order No. \_\_  
A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2825. Order No. 979-028 .  
A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
- [ ] \_\_\_ Page(s) of substitute Sequence Listing
- [ ] \_\_\_ Computer disk(s) containing substitute Sequence Listing
- [ ] Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(b) that the computer and paper copies of the substitute Sequence Listing are the same.
- [ ] A check in the amount of to cover the filing fee is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached Amendment, Amendment Transmittal, Petition for One Month Extension of Time, Check for \$120.00, and Return Postcard along with any paper(s) referred to as being attached or enclosed and this Certificate of Mailing are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

In connection with the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2004. A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time is enclosed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.